



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held August 21, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer, presented the attached report and recommendations on various issues that will result in more stringent enforcement of the County's lobbying ordinance.

Dr. Genevieve Claverul and Zuma Dogg addressed the Board.

After discussion, Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

"Today's report on Item No. 55 reviews the mechanisms available to the County to enforce the Lobbyist Ordinance. The Chief Executive Officer recommends that the Board increase the penalty for various violations of the Ordinance. The Board should also consider whether fees charged to lobbyists under the Ordinance to register themselves and their clients with the County are appropriate."

Therefore, Supervisor Yaroslavsky made a motion that the Chief Executive Officer, together with appropriate staff, be instructed to review the current lobbyist registration fees, including fees charged to register lobbyists, lobbyist firms, lobbyist employers, and lobbying clients, to determine whether they are set at an appropriate level; and to report back to the Board at its meeting of September 4, 2007.

Supervisor Molina made the following statement:

"The recommended increase to the late filing fee from a one-time total of \$250 to a \$25 per day charge with a maximum of \$500.00 is still not high enough to encourage companies and lobbyists to submit the required reports on time. Under this proposal, Maximus—which was almost 140 days late in submitting their reports—would have only been required to pay a late filing fee of \$500.00. This is insignificant considering the size of Maximus' current County contract—over \$23 million."

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Therefore, Supervisor Molina made a motion that the Chief Executive Officer be instructed to report back to the Board on September 18, 2007 with an amendment to the existing Ordinance that would result in a progressive late filing fee procedure, with the process to work as follows: \$25 each day for the first 10 days a report is filed late; \$50 each day for the second 10 days; \$75 a day for the third 10 days, etc. There should be no limit to the amount a company is charged for submitting their required reports late.

Supervisor Yaroslavsky amended his report back request to September 18, 2007 to coincide with Supervisor Molina's request for a report back.

On motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Chief Executive Officer was instructed to take the following actions:

1. Together with appropriate staff, review the current lobbyist registration fees, including fees charged to registered lobbyists, lobbyist firms, lobbyist employers, and lobbying clients, to determine whether they are set at an appropriate level;
2. Draft an amendment to the existing Lobbyist Ordinance that would result in a progressive late filing fee procedure, with the process to work as follows: \$25 each day for the first 10 days a report is filed late; \$50 each day for the second 10 days; \$75 a day for the third 10 days, etc. There should be no limit to the amount a company is charged for submitting their required reports late; and
3. Report back to the Board at its meeting of September 18, 2007.

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Attachment

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Each Supervisor
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel